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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON THE ACTION MEMORANDUM ADDENDUM FOR CERCLA TIME-CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION AT INSTALLATION RESTORATION SITE 25 ALAMEDA POINT ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA

The Department of the Navy (DON) invites public comment on the Action Memorandum Addendum for a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Time-Critical Removal Action (TCRA) at Installation Restoration (IR) Site 25, Alameda Point, Alameda, California. The 30-day public comment period will begin August 5, 2002 and end September 3, 2002. The Action Memorandum defines the actions that the DON has accomplished by removing soil containing polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) at this site. Both the investigation performed to date and this removal action are being carried out with oversight from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the Regional Water Quality Control Board. All cleanup activities are in accordance with the CERCLA, 42 United States Code (USC) Section 9604, et seq., 10 USC Section 2705, et seq., Federal Executive Order 12580, and 40 Code of Federal Regulations 300.415.

It was determined through various site investigations that soil at this site is contaminated with PAHs, a result of creation of the site with dredge spoils a half century ago. The approximately 12 acre site (adjacent to the U.S. Coast Guard Housing area TCRA) was utilized as a park, and consists of baseball and soccer fields, a sand volleyball court, playgrounds and a physical fitness course. The U.S. Coast Guard Housing Office and the U.S. Coast Guard Housing Maintenance Office are included within the boundary of the site. The DON has authorized the removal of the upper 2 feet of contaminated soil (approximately 37,500 cubic yards) and backfilling to the original grade with clean backfill, topsoil, and sod. The DON has determined that the action will eliminate an immediate exposure risk from surface soils to humans and the environment while the CERCLA process is completed for the site. The Action Memorandum evaluated several alternatives that could be used in the removal action (cleanup) for IR Site 25. The alternatives that were considered included: 1) no action, 2) fencing/security, 3) capping, 4) in situ stabilization, 5) excavation/stabilization/backfill, 6) excavation/thermal desorption/backfill, and 7) excavation and off-site disposal.

The DON selected Alternative 7, which provided the timely reduction of risk while the final remedy for the site is determined. THIS NOTICE WAS TO HAVE BEEN ISSUED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF STARTING THE WORK.

Following the public comment period, the comments will be evaluated and a responsiveness summary will be prepared describing what actions will be taken with regard to each comment. This summary will be mailed out to all parties who submit comments and will be placed in the information repositories listed below.

The Action Memorandum, the Removal Action Work Plan, and other reports about the site, and the Administrative Record Index are available for public inspection and copying at the following public information repositories:

Alameda Main Public Library  
(Historic Alameda High School)  
2200-A Central Avenue  
Alameda, California  
(510) 748-4660

Alameda, California Alameda Point,  
Former NAS Alameda  
950 West Mall Square, Suite 141  
Alameda, California  
(510) 749-5952

The full Administrative Record and files pertaining to this matter are available for public review at:

Southwest Division, Naval Facilities  
Engineering Command  
1220 Pacific Highway  
San Diego, CA 92132-5190  
Ms. Diane Silva, Code 4MG.DS,  
(619) 532-3676

Written comments will be accepted beginning August 5, 2002, and ending September 3, 2002. Comments must be postmarked by September 3, 2002, and mailed or faxed to the address below to be considered:

Base Realignment and Closure  
Environmental Coordinator  
Attn: Mr. Michael E. McClelland,  
P.E., Code 06CA.MM  
Southwest Division, Naval Facilities  
Engineering Command  
1230 Columbia Street, Suite 1100,  
San Diego, CA 92101-8571  
FAX: (619) 532-0940

The former Naval Air Station Alameda Restoration Advisory Board (RAB), made up of members of the community and representatives from local regulatory agencies and the DON, holds regular public meetings to discuss ongoing environmental investigation and cleanup work at the facility. For more information about the RAB or this proposed removal action, please contact:

Mr. Michael E. McClelland, Environmental Coordinator (619) 532-0965

Mr. Steve Edde, SWDIV Alameda Point Environmental Liaison (510) 749-5952

Ms. Anna-Maria Cook, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (415) 972-3029

Mr. Michael-John Torrey, RAB Community Co-Chair (510) 865-3723

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